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GRANT'S READY-WIT.

The General's Happy Faculty of Saying the Right Thing at the Right Time.

By force of both association and contrast, thought instinctively turns from Robert E. Lee, the commander in chief of the confederate armies, to the man to whom he surrendered at Appomattox. One was the embodiment of courtesy, elegance and rare social gifts; the other was less polished, though of the loftiest manhood, but silent and shy. Grant had the rare faculty of saying the right thing in a social conversation as well as in a military or cabinet conference. Never have l heard him make a more characteristic reply than on the occasion of a reception at my own home at Highland Place, in Washington, writes Thomas B. Bryan, in the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post. The attendance at the reception was very large, and a space for the dances of the young people was set aside by means of a line of

No sooner had the dancing begun than Gen. Grant took his position a few feet from the ribbon, his eyes following the graceful figure of his daughter Nellie, now Mrs. Sartoris, as she glided across the floor among her gay companions. There was light of ingenuous satisfaction and pride in the eyes of the general. Evidently this expression attracted the attention of Gen. Sherman, and was thought by him to betray a hint of longing to join the brilliant and happy group of waltzers.

Placing a hand upon the shoulder of Grant, Sherman pointed to the line of ribbon and said:

"This is not a bar to you, general. You're a privileged character and may cross the line without leave."

With a smile which had in it a hint of sadness Grant quickly stepped forward in military order, his toes dressed squarely to the line, and re-

"Ab, general! I've long since learned to toe the mark!"

Though the incident passed with a lati, no one who witnessed it could fail to catch the serious meaning underneath it. He, the idol of the American nation, had learned the lessons of obedience and of personal limitations with respect to the rights of

The great dispositional contrast be ed at the line and made the nt reply which I have naren. Sherman had stirred the members of the company to ar the main floor for the stately old rginia reel. That evening confirmed reputation as the prince of gal-



"THIS IS NOT A BAR TO YOU, GEN-

lants, for, instead of the customary bow, he saluted many with a kiss. At first this created a buzz of comment. but it was done only to the youngest, and so gracefully and in such a spirit of fun-making that no one thought of offering the most delicate or diplomatic of objections.

At the beginning of this exhibition of Gen. Sherman's temperamental gayety I laughingly exclaimed: "Come, general! It's hardly fair for you to take special privileges and not share them with your host!"

"Are you yet 60?" he inquired. "Not quite," I answered.

In a tone of assumed severity he instantly replied: "Then, sir, you are not in it!"

Hood's Texans Go By.

On this occasion I recognized these troops, as they passed along the roads in the dead of night, by hearing one of them repeat the Texas version of a passage of Scripture with which I was familiar-I mean with the Texas version. You will readily recall the original text when I repeat the Texan version of it that fell upon my ear as I lay in the woods by the roadside that dark night:

The race is not to them that's got

The longest legs to run, Nor the battel to that peopel That shoots the biggest gun. This simple confession of faith assured me that the immortal brigade of Hood's Texans was marching to battle in the darkness .- Col. Charles Marshall, in Century.

His Experience. Singleton - What a wonderful change a good woman can work in s

Wederly-Yes, and what a wonder ful lot of change she can work out of him-Chicago Daily News.

A Sleepy Color-Bearer's Nap Disturbed by His Mischief-Loving Comrades.

"The boys," said the major, "played tricks on one another even when under fire. On one occasion after our line of battle had been formed the color bearer stuck the flagstaff in a hole in a stump, behind which he sought shelter from the builets of the enemy's sharpshooters. For a time the confederate fire centered on that stump, or rather on the flag waving from it, while all the time the color bearer, curled up behind the stump, smiled at the efforts of the confederates to cut his flag down.

"Soon the firing became regular and the boys relaxed from the high tension of the opening session. The color bearer, as the boys settled down to regular business, drowsed off to sleep, his flag still flying from the stump. I. N. Cook, now of Guilford, Ill., thought the c. b. was having a pretty easy time and he crept up, lifted the flagstaff out of the stump and let the colors fall to the ground. The boys yelled 'raise the flag,' and the color bearer, waking up, crawled around to the confederate side of the stump,



HIS FLAG STILL FLYING FROM THE

caught up the flag, examined it for bul let marks and, finding none, was great-

"He placed the colors again on the stump and in a short time was asleep again. Cook slipped up again and dropped the flag on the ground, and again the boys shouted: 'raise the flag,' and kept it up. They wanted the color bearer to explain how the confederates could shoot the colors out of the stump and leave no bullet marks on the staff. The color bearer re placed the flag at great personal risk, and in a few minutes seemed to be sound asleep. But when Cook made a third attempt to remove the flag from the stump the color bearer, making a jump, landed squarely on Cook's

"The two men clinched and were fight. The color bearer was swearing sented and the game began, the men at the top of his voice, our boys were playing on a log lying at the side of yelling in encouragement or derision, the road. At first the cards favored and the confederates opened a furious Pete and he began to speculate on fire on the combatants. Finally some returning to town and recouping his en Grant and Sherman was sharp- of our men crept up, separated the losses at faro. ought out by the events of that fighters and put the flag again in the "The game stood three to nothing Not half an hour after Grant stump. This ended the incident, by in Pete's favor, when, to his dismay,

come friends." ONLY SURVIVING OFFICER.

Veteran of the "Cheese-Box on Raft" the Sole Living Member of the Crew.

Monitor, which went into commission | said: January 30, 1862, and before the 10th of victory over the Merrimac, only one re- trump. mains. His name is Capt. Louis N. Stodder, and is at present supervisor of anchorages at the port of New York reply. and a veteran of the United States revunteers to work the guns of the up-Pete gulch. "cheesebox on a raft," then in an unfinished state at Greenpoint. John stood without a trump, said: Ericsson's "new-fangled concern," as thought he'd turn a jack on me and stock of all the naval wits who had enth card was a jack. Pete did well seen or heard of it, and the prospec- on his tour and washed out a great tive gunners were warned that they many dollars in the gulch that bears were taking their lives in their hands his name." when they volunteered. But men were found, and the vessel was constructed at a rate of progress probably unprecedented. Within 100 days from the laying of her keel the Monitor was launched with machinery complete, and within 150 days she had won the victory over the Merrimac, which revolutionized naval architecture.

The Monitor was commenced in October, 1861, and was launched January 30, 1862. Mr. Stodder was present on both occasions, and as he remained with his vessel until she foundered off Cape Hatteras the last day of December, 1862, it will be seen that he stood by her during her entire existence.

The Place for Them, "Phwat do yez call thim things?" asked the Irishman on board a steamboat, pointing to a lot of queer-look-

ing objects on deck. "They are life preservers," replied

a bystander. "Loif presarvers!" echoed the son of Erin. "Thin why ain't they afther takin' thim to th' hospital where payple do be doyin' most ivery day, Oi dunno."-Chicago Daily News.

So-Called Facts. The logical deduction from many a so-called statement of facts is fully 100 per cent. - Chicago Daily News.

Excellent Reason for It. "I don't see why you speak of her as an acrobat."

"That, my dear boy, is because you lidn't happen to see her trying to learn to skate."-Brooklyn Eagle.

LOST ALL HIS DUST.

And Then Staked His Provisions on a Game of Cards. SOLDIER FROLICS UNDER FIRE

> How Seven-Up Pete Gulch, a Rich Montaga Mining District, Got Its Name-Commemorates a Unique Card Duel.

The report of the consummation of a large mining deal in Seven-up Pete never chap Gulch last week reminds me of what was probably the most remarkable

well-known mining man. Prosperity palatable. did not agree with him, however. That Insomnia is often caused by worry veterate gambler.

after having taken the precaution to and wakefulness. purchase a supply of provisions.

"He had quite a run of luck, and at one time was several thousand dollars ahead. After an intermittent sitting of a week or ten days, however, he went flat broke, and hitching up his lated into Japanese. team to the wagonload of provisions, wash out another fortune.

"Arriving at the main divide or crest of the Rockies, Pete met another miner en route to town, whose season amounting to nearly \$8,000,000, and had been less fortunate than his. He not a dollar of it is in the form of a had in fact just about enough dust to certificate of indebtedness. pay for the next year's provisions.

"Exchanging a few casual remarks, during which this fact was brought Fifth avenue, New York, the most out, Pete's mania for gambling led beatutiful street in the world, next him to make the proposition that as to the Champs Elysees, Paris. they were both in about the same financial condition they play a game of seven-up to see which one should



"WHAT HAVE YOU FOR HIGH?"

possess all the provisions, dust and

"I do not remember the other felsoon engaged in a rough-and-tumble low's name, but at any rate he as-

til years after the close of the the other fellow scored high, low war did Cook and the color bearer be- and the game. The next hand Pete made high game to his opponent's low. The following deal favored Pete's opponent in a like manner, and the game was now a tie, six to

"It was his adversary's deal, and Pete, after scanning his, announced Of the officers of the little ironclad that he would stand. His adversary

"'What have you for high?' giv-March had achieved her momentous ing up in despair as he had not a

"'Nothing,' replied Pete.

"'It's your play, then,' came the

"Both wanted but one point to win enue service, says the Brooklyn Stand- and game was the only one out. ard Union. Capt. Stodder was born Pete lost the game by one, turned in Boston in 1838 and entered the navy his wagon, team and provisions over from the merchant marine at an early to the other fellow and started up age, and was in the gunnery school the gulch, entering the road at that then established in Brooklyn, when in place on a prospecting tour. Thus January, 1862, a call was made for vol- the gulch achieved its name, Seven-

"Pete upon being asked why he some then styled it, was the laughing go out.' And sure enough, the sev-

> The Vegetable Beefsteak, The notion, long held, that the mushroom presented the composition of animal flesh is rudely shattered. In one regard, at any rate, the mushroom does resemble a beefsteak-it contains practically the same amount of water. This fact, as ascertained by recent analyses, hardly justifies the mushroom being regarded as a "vegetable beefsteak." It may be a blow to the vegetarian, but he would have to consume at least ten pounds of mushrooms in order to gain the equivalent of a little over a pound of prime beef. Still, the tender mushroom is undoubtedly easily digestible, and it contains an unusual proportion of potassium salts. Few will deny that the mushroom is an excellent adjunct to many dishes; it has an appetizing flavor and this quality alone makes it dietetically valuable.

Where Breath Gives Out. The highest point to which man can ascend without his health being seriously affected is 16,500 feet.

About the Size of It. Little Willie-Pa, what's a political

crank? Pa-A political crank, my son, is a fool voter employed to turn the stone by politicians who have axes to grind. -Chicago Daily News.

Monochromatic. Brown her eyes and hair and gown, Brown her dainty little shoe; Also, she's engaged to Brown-That's why I am blue, -Philadelphia Press

HEALTH HINTS.

An egg added to the morning cones

s a good tonic. A teaspoonful of lemon juice in a small cupful of black coffee will almost certainly relieve a bilious head-

A healing soap is made by melting a small cake of pure tellet soap with an equal quantity of mutton tallow and half as much cornmeal. It should be well mixed and let cool. If the hands are washed with it they will

Black currents are a specific for colds and hoarseness; so is honey and game of seven-up ever played in the vinegar. Black current jam made state of Montana," said an old-time into tea is the old-fashioned cure for miner to a New York Sun correspond- a cold, while glycerin and lemon juice in equal parts will quickly give back "Peter Sharf was in the early days a lost voice. This mixture is quite

is, money burned in his pockets. He upsetting the stomach, for indigesappeared never to be satisfied with tion will inflate the blood vessels of sheer money, no matter what the the brain. Recognizing this, doctors amount. He wanted action all the are now prescribing hot water intertime. In other words, he was an in- nally and externally. Before going to bed the person so afflicted should put "He had some placer claims in the the feet into hot water. The object Blackfoot country north of Helena, and after his clean-up had come to head, for when the blood vessels are town, exchanging his dust for eash, inflated they press against the skull, and started out to buck the tiger, the result being fears, apprehensions

GENERAL GLEANINGS.

Ibsen's "Enemy of the People" is the first Swedish book to be trans-

Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, departed for his mountain home, to has one son at Princeton, another at Harvard and a third at the University of Pennsylvania.

Texas has a permanent school fund

Gilbert Parker, the novelist and member of parliament, says he thinks

> The Inevitable Doubt. That arbitration is the cure They'd arbitrate my way.

-Washington Star.



"Say, pop?" "Well, what is it now?" "If you'd married Aunt Kate 'stend of ma, I'd be your nephew, wouldn't 1?"-Chicago American.

Little Charlie's Lamentation, 'm such a boy to wear out clothes, skip about, and dance. Now, if I were a little dog,
I'd not wear out my pants.

-Chicago Tribune.

She Wanted an Injunction. ter of a judge?"

"Yes. Why do you ask?" "Because I just now met her and she said she was hurrying down to ask her father to grant her an in junction to prevent her husband from beginning divorce proceedings."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"I must say that your appetite has greatly improved of late." "Yes," answered the driac. "My doctor said he would have to limit my tobacco. He said I might smoke a cigar after each meal. I am now eating six meals a day."-

Washington Star. On Jordan's Banks. "Bre'r William, sence you all time singin' 'bout de yuther side er Jordan, how come you ain't in no hurry ter git dar?"

"Bre'r Thomas, you shouldn't ax sich leadin' questions. 'Sides dat, you well knows I can't swim!"-Atlanta Constitution.

Hard Luck.

"I don't see why you're always croaking about you're hard luck," said the optimistic clerk. "You're getting \$10 week and-" "No, I ain't," replied the pessimistic

one, "for I had it raised lately." "And I suppose you consider that un-

"Sure. That made it \$13."-Philadelphia Press.

Opposing Bargains. "Oh, George," exclaimed Mrs. De Style, "Drigudds & Pricemark advertise their \$60 spring bonnets for \$55.90. I shall die if you do not get me one." "Well," answered Mr. De Style, "I noticed an ad. in the paper stating that Coolem & Plantem would give a firstelass funeral for \$39.50."-Baltimore

Merchant and Mother. New Merchant-I wish I knew how to interest mothers in my child's cloth-

Old Merchant-That's easy. Mark up the sizes on your clothes. Nothing tickles a mother so much as to find that her ten-year-old boy takes a 12year-old size of suit .- N. Y. Sun.

Made Him Happier. Mamma-How cruel, Eleanor, to hurt the poor little worm!

Eleanor-But he looked so loneome, mamma, an' I jus' cut him in twe so's he'd have company, an' the two of him wiggled off together jus' ever so happy.-Brooklyn Eagle.

Was Overweight. "I wish I knew of a good way to raise bread," remarked the wife as she tackled one of her biscuits at the breakfast table.

"Why not try a derrick, my dear?" suggested the brutal other half of the combination.-Chicago Daily News.

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